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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

IN RE: PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE  
(PPA) PRODUCTS LIABILITY  
LITIGATION,

MDL NO. 1407

This document relates to all  
actions

ORDER REGARDING USE OF  
CASE MANAGEMENT/  
ELECTRONIC CASE FILING  
SYSTEM

The Court hereby ORDERS that all represented parties  
in this case utilize the Case Management/ Electronic Case  
Filing ("CM/ECF") system as of November 15, 2003, as  
follows:

(1) Electronic Filing - Counsel must electronically  
file all documents with the Court. At present, pleadings  
filed in paper form have to be labeled, scanned and then  
docketed in the Clerk's Office. This process results in  
a delay of several days before the document is docketed  
and thus delays the Court's ability to review and con-  
sider the pleading. Electronically filed pleadings, in  
contrast, are instantly filed and docketed. If there are  
attorneys or staff who need training in the use of the

1 CM/ECF system, please visit the Court's website at  
2 <http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/>. If you need additional  
3 assistance, please contact the CM/ECF Helpdesk at 1-866-  
4 323-9293 or via email at [cmecf@wawd.uscourts.gov](mailto:cmecf@wawd.uscourts.gov).

5 (2) Electronic Notification - All orders of the  
6 Court will be distributed via email notification and/or  
7 United States Mail. As of November 15, 2003, all counsel  
8 must be signed up for the electronic notification system.  
9 Counsel may sign up for email notification by downloading  
10 a registration form from the Court's website at  
11 <http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/> and returning it to the  
12 address on that form.  
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14 (3) An attorney who is not an electronic filing  
15 user by November 15, 2003, must show good cause to file  
16 and serve pleadings and other papers in the traditional  
17 manner and/or to receive notice via regular mail. Counsel  
18 who succeed in showing cause will nevertheless be re-  
19 quired to include with traditionally filed papers a disk  
20 or CD-ROM containing a portable document format ("PDF")  
21 copy of all papers filed with the Court.  
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23 (4) A party not represented by counsel may file  
24 traditionally, but is not precluded from filing electron-  
25 ically. Similarly, an unrepresented party may file papers  
26 without including a disk or CD-ROM containing a PDF copy

1 of all papers filed, but is not precluded from so doing.  
2 Your cooperation will aid Court staff in processing your  
3 submissions more quickly and will result in faster con-  
4 sideration and resolution of the parties' issues.  
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6 DATED at Seattle, Washington this 30<sup>th</sup> day of  
7 October, 2003.

8 /s/ Barbara Jacobs Rothstein  
9 BARBARA JACOBS ROTHSTEIN  
10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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